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Wishing You
a very
Merry Christmas

Cubs

Did you know?

The WORLDS YOUNGEST...



Pilot: Is 9 year old Isilay Davaz. He started flying at the age of 2 in the company of an assistant pilot.



Sailor: Is 16 year old Zac Sunderland, who sailed solo (alone) around the world.



(Remember Dylan with 43 badges in SCaR 10, well...) Rebecca Hooper, a Sixer from 1st Burgh St Peter Cubs in England, reached her goal of 33 Merit badges before her 10th birthday. To achieve this she took her first flight in a small aeroplane, attended judo lessons, made a computer desk, cooked her family a roast dinner, repaired a puncture on her bicycle, visited a synagogue, learned how to read a map, looked after farm animals, sailed a boat and tidied up her local churchyard. Rebecca is the first girl in the UK to achieve all 33 activity badges.



See-O-Nee (Old Wolves gather around the Council Rock) took place at 1st Pinelands Saturday 13 June, with a talk on AD(H)D [Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder] - wow, now that's a mouthful. Big thanks to Audrey Hopkins for a delightfully interesting afternoon of fun & programming together.



GONE WHERE NONE HAVE GONE BEFORE...

2nd Bellville Cubs just before setting off on their 50 year space time travel voyage in 1986. They plan to return as Cubs again in 2036 when the Pack will re-open.



PEOPLE CANNOT LIVE WITHOUT ANIMALS



BUT ANIMALS CAN LIVE WITHOUT PEOPLE!



Scouts

Sunday 5 to Friday 10 July saw 73 junior Scouts attend our **Provincial Skills Camp** at Swartvlei campsite outside George. The majority were from Cape Town bussed through, while the rest were made up of 2nd Mossel Bay and 1st Knysna Groups in the Southern Cape. Scouts were divided into 8 Patrols and through a rotational system took part in Sailing on our JML Rotary Scout Yacht (which had sailed up prior to Mossel Bay), a guided tour through the Bartholomew Dias Museum, a beach hike and camp activities. The program in camp focussed on basic Scouting Skills as well as environmental issues like recycling, global warming and growing food gardens. There was also lots of free time to play on the beach or enjoy volley ball. Huge thanks to all staff who gave up time to assist both before and on the camp, as well as our National HQ making sponsorship available and the camp affordable for all. Feedback received indicates that everyone had a great fun and learning experience. *Brendan Dale*



Two weekends, 20-21 June at Gilray and 24-26 July at Hawequas, saw 32 Scouts in 7 Patrols on the **Cooks Badge**, preparing, cooking, eating, cleaning constantly for 7 willing judges, producing meals fit for Kings, all in traditional 3 course outdoor style. A fab time, weather and teamwork enjoyed by all. We had a visiting Girl Guide from Italy Camia Tiziana join the candidates. Thanks to Charles Prince for highly efficient organising.



Scouts from D/K and Hermanus teamed up for a **Swellendam hike** in the Marloth Nature reserve. Friday 24 July was spent overnight at Glenstroom hut, Saturday hiking the 11km's to Wolfkloof and returning Sunday again. There were 22 hikers, for some their very first overnight hike, the weather was perfect. *Ben Greyling*



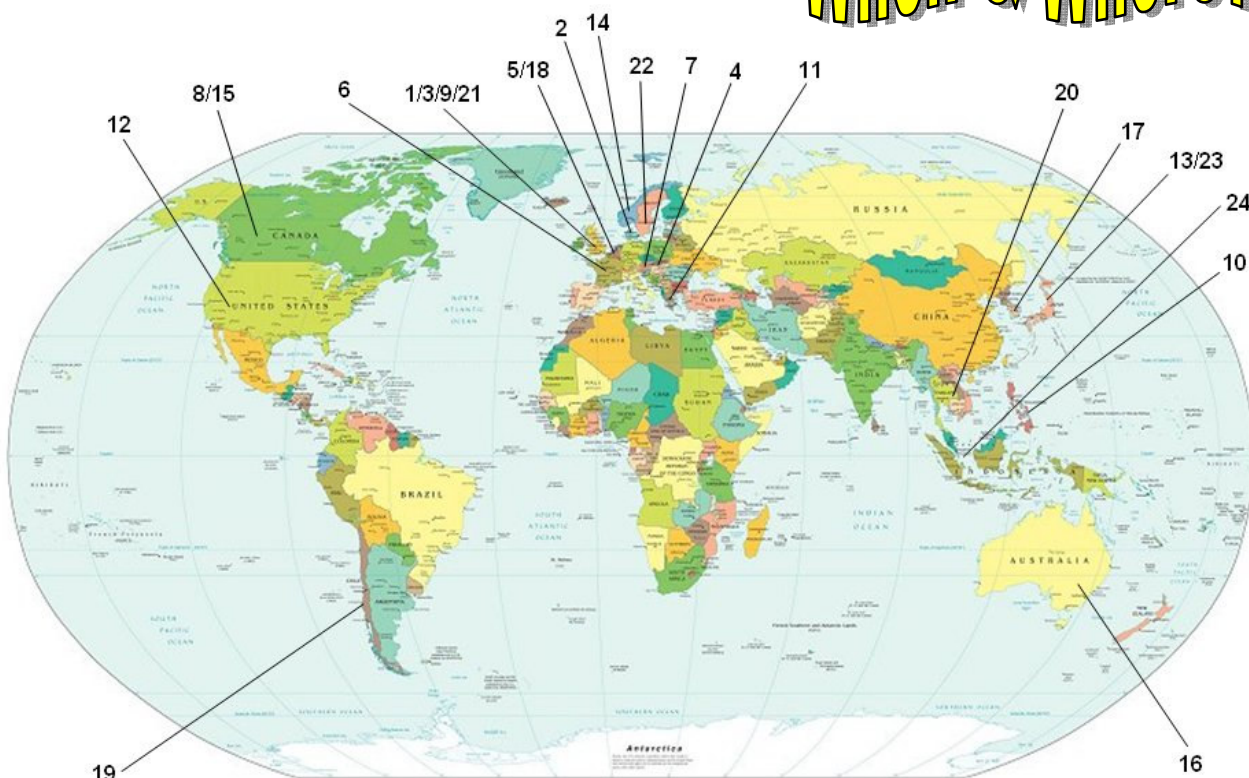
Russia Scouts celebrate their Centenary this year, having survived communism. BP's traditions are still followed since 1909. They boast a top class campsite at Vetluga with accommodation for 200 indoor and 1 000 campers wanting to experience Russia hospitality. See the full story and more at <http://mnweekly.rian.ru/feature/20090810/55384747.html>
James Donaldson - Moscow



WORLD JAMBOREES

Have you ever wondered... now you know!

When & Where?



<p>1 1920 England Olympia 8 000 Scouts 34 countries <i>Develop World Peace</i></p> 	<p>2 1924 Denmark Ermelunden 4 549 33 <i>World Citizenship</i></p> 	<p>3 1929 England Arrowe Park 50 000 69 <i>21st Birthday Coming of Age</i></p> 	<p>4 1933 Hungary Gödöllő 25 792 48 <i>Face New Adventures</i></p> 	<p>5 1937 Netherlands Vogelensang 28 750 54 <i>Lead Happy Lives</i></p> 	<p>6 1947 France Moisson 24 152 42 <i>Jamboree of Peace</i></p> 	<p>7 1951 Austria Salzkammergut 12 884 37 <i>Jamboree of Simplicity</i></p> 	<p>8 1955 Canada Lake Niagara 11 139 71 <i>New Horizons</i></p> 
<p>9 1957 England Sutton Park 30 000 80 <i>50th Scouting Anniversary</i></p> 	<p>10 1959 Philippines Mount Makiling 12 203 44 <i>Building Tomorrow Today</i></p> 	<p>11 1963 Greece Marathon 14 000 86 <i>Higher and Wider</i></p> 	<p>12 1967 U.S.A Farragut Park 12 011 105 <i>For Friendship</i></p> 	<p>13 1971 Japan Fujinomiya 23 758 87 <i>For Understanding</i></p> 	<p>14 1975 Norway Lake Mjosa 17 259 91 <i>Five Fingers, One Hand</i></p> 	<p>15 1983 Canada Alberta 14 752 102 <i>The Spirit Lives On</i></p> 	<p>16 1988 Australia Cataract Park 14 434 84 <i>Bringing the World Together</i></p> 
<p>17 1991 Korea Soraksan 20 000 135 <i>Many Lands, One World</i></p> 	<p>18 1995 Netherlands Flevoland 28 960 166 <i>The Future is Now</i></p> 	<p>19 1999 Chile Pizarquin 31 000 157 <i>Building Peace Together</i></p> 	<p>20 2002/3 Thailand Sattahip 25 600 147 <i>Share World and Cultures</i></p> 	<p>21 2007 England Hylands Park 41 431 155 <i>One World, One Promise</i></p> 	<p>22 2011 Sweden Rinkaby <i>Simply Scouting</i></p> 	<p>23 2015 Japan Kirara Beach <i>A Spirit of Unity</i></p> 	<p>24 2019 Singapore Coney Island <i>Hands Across the World</i></p> 





The annual Provincial **Orienteering Competition** took place on Saturday 15 August, in the lush green Tokai Forest Reserve. 12 Troops took up the mighty challenge of the day to rally around gathering pin-point info. 2nd Fish Hoek ended as the Senior, Junior and overall winners, with 3rd Pinelands taking the Scouter event. Thanks to Mike Sands for all the organising of this fun filled event and sponsors PENOC. For more info on orienteering visit www.penoc.org.za



The Bones of Scouting

The body of Scouting has four main bones, the *Wishbones*, who spend all their time wishing someone else would do the work. The *Jawbones*, who do all the talking and very little else. The *Knucklebones*, who knock everything that anybody else tries to do and the *Backbones*, who get under the load and do all the work – which bone are you?



... then God created man in his own image, male and female he created them, and God said; "Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, the fowl of the air, the animals of the fields and over all the earth..." Then man in his foolish self centred greed set out to systematically destroy all that God had created... and it was (is) so!



Need to talk... / discuss, express an opinion with SCAr's (or any others in Scouting), then pop up to the SCAr SA Scout Forum site <http://forum.scouting.org.za>



Well done lads, I'm sure your mums are proud!



Sat 7 June 1st Bothasig took part in **Hawkeye**, the one trophy that Western Cape Rovers compete for every year. It's a cool sword-in-the-stone trophy - awesome! Also there were Claremont, Sea Eagle (Sandvlei) and Impeesa Rovers. This year's theme was '1950's Rat Pack Casino Evening' and boy did the organisers deliver. Each crew member was issued with 'chips' and told to go around the casino (3rd Claremont Hall) and make us much 'money' as possible, the crew with the highest average would be the winner. In the end it was announced that we had won (actually by a huge margin). The Trophy is back with us again for the second year in a row. It was an awesome evening, creating a chance for us to socialise with other Crews and enjoy ourselves. Thanks to the organisers. Here is a photo of our winning team: (l to r) Joshua Hindley, Wesley Dawson, Llewellyn Benadie, Jon Laing and James Lowndes.

Devon Bowen



The gift of giving

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'The gift of giving' should... be a daily event in all our lives, be it in time, imparting knowledge, providing fun for others or actual gifts, all done purely out of goodwill and not exchanged for goods, money or expecting any return. However, as the year has flown by and Christmas is just around the corner, everyone will be focused on the holidays and children anxious to see what presents will be placed under the tree.

But... what is Christmas really about? The presents or the gift of giving & connecting with people? Gift giving plays only a small part of the true meaning & has long been a subject for studies about human behaviour. They have found that giving gifts is a surprisingly complex & important part of human interaction. It can define relationships and strengthen bonds with family and friends. But perhaps the greatest effect of giving is the impact it has on ones self.

As we reflect on the past year and the privilege of giving and receiving gifts, it is important to spare a thought for those less fortunate. Reaching out to those in need is an excellent way to reconnect us all with the true spirit of Christmas.

Try making a new tradition of donating to a charity if you don't already. Many of us over spend in the 'silly season', why not put some of the money to good use and give back to the community. Not everyone can write a big cheque for charity, but that doesn't

mean you can't lend a helping hand. It is sometimes a small kind gesture that means the most. Donating outgrown clothes or toys to the local shelter will share the joy of giving and the children will love helping out other children. People often say charity starts at home so be creative. Make a family 'visit' video for family members you have not seen in a while or who live far away. Christmas may be a lonely time for relatives living aboard and this is a fun activity that the whole family can do together. There are no limitations to what can be added to the video.

People love to feel appreciated, so why not bake some cookies for the firemen or police in your area? Doctors and nurses at the local hospital may also enjoy this gesture and it is a great opportunity to let them know that your family thanks them.

This year remember the words of a poem by Albert Stroud, "The real Christmas giving, that makes this life worth living, and shows that we are any use in this old world of care. Is to give where it is needed, and pass not by unheeding, the wants of those around us who do not get their share."



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<http://www.scouting.org.za/capewest/latest/scars.html>

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